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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JULY 23, 2001

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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. INS010083

Ex Parte: In the matter of Adopting Revisions to the Rules Governing Minimum Standards for Medicare Supplement Policies

ORDER ADOPTING REVISIONS TO RULES

WHEREAS, by order entered herein May 22, 2001, all interested persons were ordered to take notice that the Commission would consider the entry of an order subsequent to June 26, 2001, adopting revisions proposed by the Bureau of Insurance to the Commission's Rules Governing Minimum Standards for Medicare Supplement Policies, unless on or before June 26, 2001, any person objecting to the adoption of the proposed revisions filed a request for a hearing with the Clerk of the Commission;

WHEREAS, the May 22, 2001, Order also required all interested persons to file their comments in support of or in opposition to the proposed revisions on or before June 26, 2001;

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Order no request for a hearing has been filed with the Clerk of the Commission;

WHEREAS, comments were filed timely with the Clerk of the Commission by Trigon Blue Cross Blue Shield and Golden Rule Insurance Company;

WHEREAS, in response to the filed comments, the Bureau has recommended certain changes to the proposed revisions; and

THE COMMISSION, having considered the proposed revisions, the filed comments, and the Bureau's response and recommendation, is of the opinion that the attached proposed revisions, as amended, should be adopted;

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The revisions to Chapter 170 of Title 14 of the Virginia Administrative Code entitled "Rules Governing Minimum Standards for Medicare Supplement Policies," which amend the rules at 14 VAC 5-170-20, 14 VAC 5-170-30, 14 VAC 5-170-70, 14 VAC 5-170-90, 14 VAC 5-170-105, 14 VAC 5-170-120, 14 VAC 5-170-130, 14 VAC 5-170-150, and 14 VAC 5-170-180, and which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, should be, and they are hereby, ADOPTED to be effective September 1, 2001;
- (2) AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to the Bureau of Insurance in care of Deputy Commissioner Gerald A. Milsky, who forthwith shall give further notice of the adoption of the revisions to the rules by mailing

a copy of this Order, including a copy of the attached revised rule, to all insurers, health services plans, and health maintenance organizations licensed to write Medicare supplement insurance in the Commonwealth of Virginia; and by forwarding a copy of this Order, including a copy of the attached revised rules, to the Virginia Registrar of Regulations for appropriate publication in the Virginia Register of Regulations; and

(3) The Bureau of Insurance shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an affidavit of compliance with the notice requirement of paragraph (2) above.